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<u>Amendments to the Claims</u>

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in this application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A <u>minimally distractive</u> method for a caregiver to validate the right patient with visual confirmation between the patient and a display <u>that is one of integrated</u> <u>with and adjacent to a user interface mounted</u>of <u>on</u> a medical pump <u>housing</u> in aan intravenous medical<u>medication</u> management system, comprising:

storing a digital photo of a patient;

transmitting the digital photo to the medical pump; and

placing the digital photo of the patient on the display of the medical pump <u>such that the</u>
   <u>digital photo is located one of on and adjacent to the user interface;</u>

<u>visually comparing of the patient with the digital photo of the patient on the display of the</u>
   <u>pump by the caregiver;</u>

<u>whereby the caregiver only has to look away from the user interface mounted on the medical</u>
   <u>pump housing in one direction one time to complete the visual comparing step.</u>

2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of transmitting the digital photo to the medical pump when delivery programming code associated with a medication order for the patient is transmitted to the medical pump.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of transmitting the digital photo to the device<u>medical pump</u> when the medical pump has been associated with the patient by the medical<u>medication</u> management system.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of prompting the caregiver with the display to confirm <u>on the user interface mounted on the medical pump</u> <u>housing</u> that the patient matches the digital photo on the display.

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5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 4, further comprising the step of: sending a confirmation that the patient matches the digital photo to a medication management unit as a right patient match in a five rights check.

6. (Currently Amended) A medication management system for a caregiver to validate the right patient with visual confirmation between the patient and a display that is one of integrated with and adjacent to a user interface mounted on~~of~~ a medical pump a medical pump housing in ~~ean~~ intravenous ~~medical~~medication management system, comprising:
a medication management unit having a processing unit and a storage medium coupled to the
      processing unit, the storage medium containing programming code executed by the
      processing unit to:
      store a digital photo of a patient,
      transmit delivery ~~program~~programming code to the medical pump, and
      transmit the digital photo to the medical pump; and

a medical pump in electronic communication with the medication management unit, having a
      processor and a memory coupled to the processor, the memory containing
      programming code executed by the processor to receive the delivery
      ~~program~~programming code and the digital photo of the patient and to place the digital
      photo of the patient and the delivery ~~program~~programming code on the display of the
      medical pump such that the digital photo is located one of on and adjacent to the user
      interface so that a caregiver can visually compare the patient with the digital photo of
      the patient on the display of the pump to validate that the patient is the right patient to
      receive the medication intravenously from the pump by only looking away from the
      user interface mounted on the medical pump housing in one direction one time to
      complete the visual comparing step.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 3, wherein the medical pump is associated with the patient by the medical management system via the steps of machine reading a machine readable label on the medical pump and machine reading a machine readable label on one of the patient and a medication container.

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8 (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the display is integrated with at least a portion of the user interface to define a touch screen and at least some parameters of the delivery programming code and the digital photo of the patient are displayed concurrently on the touch screen.

9. (New) The system of claim 6, wherein the display is integrated with at least a portion of the user interface to define a touch screen and the processor executes the programming code such that at least some parameters of the delivery programming code and the digital photo of the patient are displayed concurrently on the touch screen.

10. (New) The system of claim 6, wherein the right patient is further validated by an electronic comparison of patient identification information input by a machine reader from at least one of a machine readable indicator on the patient and a machine readable indicator on a medication container, and a patient identifier associated with an order for intravenous medication administration.

11. (New) The system of claim 9, wherein the touch screen is a dual function screen having a pump monitor screen portion and a web browser screen portion.

12. (New) The system of claim 9, wherein the touch screen is at least approximately 12 centimeters by 12 centimeters.

13. (New) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of validating the right patient by an electronic comparison of patient identification information input by a machine reader from at least one of a machine readable indicator on the patient and a machine readable indicator on a medication container, and a patient identifier associated with an order for intravenous medication administration.

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